



ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., February 23, 2005

1255 Imperial Avenue, 4th Floor

Conference Room 436

San Diego, CA 92101

Members Present:

Michael Chee
Bob Crouch
Arthur Ecker
Dan Elkerton
Rick Gersberg
David Gomez
Ed Heidig
Ruth Heifetz (teleconference)
Jerry Spahn
Malcolm Vinje
Steve Zolezzi

Members Absent:

Bob Barrios
Rich Leap
Carolyn Powers
Bob Shuster

Others Present:

Lee Cantrell, UCSD
Gary Erbeck, DEH
Rich Haas, DEH
Jack Miller, DEH
John Kolb, DEH
Robert Venter, DEH
Mike Vernetti, DEH
Fran Sjoberg, DEH

I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairman Malcolm Vinje called the meeting to order.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

A motion was carried and seconded to approve the January 26, 2005 Minutes.

IV. DEPARTMENTAL REPORT

Gary Erbeck

- ***Fiscal/Vacancies***

Vacancies reports were distributed. Currently nine vacancies.

- ***Recent and Upcoming Board Letters***

Board Letter report distributed. EHAB agreed to send a letter to the Board of Supervisors supporting the benefit assessment.

- ***DEH Legislative Log***

Legislative Log was distributed.

V. DISCUSSION

- Vector Benefit Assessment Presentation

Jack Miller

Jack Miller discussed the proposed benefit assessment that would provide needed funding and resources. This funding is necessary for our department to continue with our current West Nile virus response and to address unmet public health needs. EHAB approved a letter of support for the benefit assessment to the Board of Supervisors.

VI. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

*Next Meeting: **Wednesday, March 23, 2005***

8:00 a.m. to 8:55 a.m.

1600 Pacific Highway, Room 402A

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